

# VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "If you think you can, you can.

And if you think you can't, you're right." ~ Mary Kay Ash

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### **Fabulous Female Mechanic**

My Sister's Closet of Monroe County is seeking a fabulous female mechanic who can teach other women how to maintain their automobiles. If you or someone you know is good with maintaining or fixing your car, this is a great opportunity to share your knowledge. My Sister's Closet is interested in offering a free class to the women they help, teaching them things like how to check their oil and tire pressure and how to check other fluid levels. Minimum age is 18. If you are willing and able to help, please contact Laura Robinson at (812) 327-3581 or robinsli@indiana.edu. (www.sisterscloset.org)

### **Wylie House Docent**

The Wylie House Museum welcomes applicants for tour guides, also known as docents. If you share an interest in local history, this is a wonderful opportunity to learn about life in Bloomington in the 19th century and gain museum experience in the process. You will be trained to give historically accurate tours of the Wylie House Museum, home of Indiana University's first president, Andrew Wylie. Tours are offered from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays between March 1 and Nov. 30. Docents are asked to give a minimum of two weekday shifts per month; shifts are only two hours long. Volunteers must have the ability to climb steps, as there is no elevator in this 1830s home. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Sherry Wise at (812) 855-6224 or <a href="mailto:shrunoeh@indiana.edu">shrunoeh@indiana.edu</a>. (www.indiana.edu/~libwylie)

## **Community Wish List Spotlight**

# IU Health Proton Therapy Center

One of only nine centers in the country offering a highly precise treatment for benign or cancerous tumors in adults and children. To grant a wish, contact Nancy Slough at nslough@iuhealth.org or (812) 349-2153 (2425 N. Milo B. Sampson Ln.; www.iuhealthprotontherapy.org)

Wishes: for the pediatric toy shelf: toys and games for children 0 - 18 (value not to exceed \$10 ea, plush items cannot be accepted); Walmart/Target gas, grocery, theater or restaurant gift cards, iTunes cards

Use the <u>Community Wish List</u> to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

### **Driving Coach**

Stepping Stones is an independent non-profit that provides transitional housing and supportive services to youth aged 16 to 20 who are experiencing homelessness. By providing these services, they hope to increase each young person's chances of ending the cycle of homelessness and poverty. While in the program, residents work to accomplish goals they set for themselves. Stepping Stones is currently seeking an individual to work with one of their young residents who has set the goal of getting his driver's license by this summer. This student driver needs to log twenty hours of driving time - on city streets, on highway roads, and driving in the dark. The student driver would drive the volunteer's vehicle. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Alysia Fornal at (812) 339-9771 or afornal@steppingstones-inc.org. (www.steppingstones-inc.org)

### **Bloomington Writing Project**

The Bloomington Writing Project has teamed up with Volunteers in Tutoring Adult Learners (ViTAL) to offer a course for English language learners at Monroe County Public Library from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday nights from now until May 9. They are excited to offer two new units, one on preparing for the 'Test of English as a Foreign Language' (TOEFL) and one on professional writing. They would love your assistance! No teaching or tutoring experience is necessary. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Bethany Carlson at (812) 349-3050 or bethanylcarlson@gmail.com. (www.bloomingtonwritingproject.org)

#### Garlic Mustard Pull - Environmental Stewardship

Join the Sycamore Land Trust team from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday, April 13 to remove the invasive garlic mustard that threatens 'Touch the Earth' natural area just west of Columbus. This is a great opportunity to experience this 98-acre scenic preserve, with over two miles of trails, that is an excellent spot for hiking, bird watching, and enjoying nature. Volunteers are asked to sign up by April 11, and should dress for the outdoors and bring work gloves. Minimum age is 16; 10 if with an adult. Please contact Katrina Folsom at (812) 336-5382 ext. 102 or info@sycamorelandtrust.org. (www.sycamorelandtrust.org)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

